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SUBJECT: PROPOSED TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION IN THE TRADE SUB-
GROUP OF THE US-MEXICO CONSULTATIVE MECHANISM

REF: STATE 144665

1. EMBASSY RECEIVED TODAY FOR TRANSMISSION TO MR. ALAN WOLFF, STR, LETTER OF JULY 6 FROM SUBSECRETARY HECTOR HERNANDEZ C. (MINISTRY OF COMMERCE) CONCERNING TRADE SUB-GROUP OF THE US/MEXICAN CONSULTATIVE MECHANISM. ORIGINAL POUCHED TO ARA/MEX; EMBASSY TRANSLATION OF THE LETTER AS FOLLOWS: BEGIN TEXT. MR. ALAN WM. WOLFF, DEPUTY SPECIAL TRADE REPRESENTATIVE-DESIGNATE, EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT, WASHINGTON, D. C. DEAR MR. WOLFF: IN REPLY TO UNCLASSIFIED

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YOUR COMMUNICATION OF THE 14TH OF LAST JUNE IN WHICH YOU INFORM US OF THE POINTS THAT YOU WOULD BE INTERESTED TO DISCUSS DURING THE FIRST REUNION OF THE MEXICAN/AMERICAN TRADE SUBGROUP, AND PROPOSING THAT THE MEETING TAKE PLACE IN WASHINGTON, D. C., DURING THE WEEK BEGINNING THE 18TH OF JULY, I AM PLEASED TO INFORM YOU OF OUR ACCEPTANCE OF THESE ARRANGEMENTS. I WOULD LIKE TO SUGGEST THE DAYS OF

THURSDAY AND FRIDAY OF SAID WEEK FOR HOLDING THE MEETING, WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF MEXICO, THROUGH THE SECRETARIAT OF FOREIGN RELATIONS, HAS ALREADY SENT TO THE CORRESPONDING AUTHORITIES OF YOUR COUNTRY A PROPOSED AGENDA FOR THE ABOVE-MENTIONED MEETING - A PROPOSAL WHOSE CONTENTS COINCIDE WITH THE POINTS EXPRESSED BY YOU FOR DISCUSSION ON THE SAME OCCASION. MOREOVER, AND IN ACCORD WITH YOUR PROPOSAL, OTHER SUBJECTS OF A TRADE TYPE COULD BE DISCUSSED AT THE MEETING, A SUGGESTION WHICH HAS OUR COMPLETE AGREEMENT. IT IS ENCOURAGING TO CONFIRM THE READINESS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES TO EXAMINE AND IMPROVE TRADE MECHANISMS BETWEEN OUR COUNTRIES, AS WELL AS ITS INTEREST IN FOSTERING TRADE RELATIONS BY MEANS OF THE TRADE SUBGROUP, THAT WILL CONTRIBUTE TO THE CREATION OF NEW TRADE MECHANISMS BENEFICIAL TO BOTH COUNTRIES.

MOREOVER, I WOULD LIKE TO STATE AS ANOTHER REASON FOR SATISFACTION, AND WITHOUT PREJUDICE TO A FULL EXAMINATION OF THE PRESENT STATE OF THE NEGOTIATIONS, YOUR PROPOSAL TO CONCLUDE THE BILATERAL ASPECTS OF THE AGREEMENT ON TROPICAL PRODUCTS DURING THE FIRST MEETING OF THE SUBGROUP.

IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE, BEGINNING NOW, TO ESTABLISH CONTACTS FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXCHANGING POINTS OF VIEW IN ORDER THAT THE AGENDA BE SET BEFORE THE DATE OF THE MEETING; WITH THIS SAME OBJECTIVE, I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW YOUR OPINION
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REGARDING THE CONTENTS OF THE PROPOSED MEXICAN AGENDA.

RECEIVE A WARM GREETING WITH THE ASSURANCE THAT WE PERSONALLY WILL MAKE OUR BEST EFFORT TO FULFILL OUR TRADE RELATIONS. HECTOR HERNANDEZ C. END TEXT.

2. PRESUME PRESENT CABLE SUPPLIES PRELIMINARY ANSWERS OPEN QUESTIONS PARA 2 STATE'S 157505 (JUST RECEIVED). PLEASE NOTE GOM'S DESIRE FOR FURTHER EXCHANGE OF VIEWS PRIOR TO WORKING GROUP MEETING. THOMPSON
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